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-- PATENT --

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant:	Randall W. Nelson	Docket No.:	41821.0236
Serial No.:	09/524,422	Confirmation No.:	none
Filing Date:	March 11, 2000	Examiner:	Susan Ungar
Title:	MASS SPECTROMETRIC IMMUNOASSAY	Art Unit:	1642

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231-0001

Honorable Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 25, 2002, please accept this Response to the restriction requirement entered pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121 for the above-identified application.

Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. § 121, the Examiner entered a restriction requirement for the following groups of inventions:

- Group I: Claims 48-55, drawn to a device comprising a tip having an affinity reagent present within the tip, classified in class D24, subclass 22
- Group II: Claims 56-58, drawn to a method of separating a component of a specimen, classified in class 435, subclasses 4 and 7.1
- Group III: Claims 56 and 58-69, drawn to a method of separating a component of a specimen followed by mass spectrometric

analysis of the separated component, classified in class 435,  
subclasses 4 and 7.1 and class 252, subclass 408

In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicant elects the invention of  
Group I, claims 48-5512, without traverse, for further examination.

For reference purposes, Applicant has attached hereto a copy of a Substitute Power of  
Attorney relating to several of Applicant's pending patent matters including the above-  
referenced application, the original of which has been forwarded to the Assignment Division for  
recordation.

Dated: July 24, 2002

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